

## IN WELL WITH A WILD CAT

THE STRUGGLE OF TOM CARTER, OF SUMMERSVILLE.

Mistakes the Ferocious Feline for a Common House Cat and Nearly Loses His Life in Consequence. Political Prognostications from the George Washington of Susquehanna—Newy Jottings.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Susquehanna, May 18.—Tom Carter, of Summersville, had an exciting adventure last Wednesday evening. Coming over the mountains from Hallstead, he stopped at the deserted Churchill house, and, hearing a noise inside, he stopped to investigate. Looking from the kitchen into the sitting room, he saw a pair of blazing eyes peering out of the old fireplace.

Supposing the animal to be a common house cat, Carter reached down, picked up an old horseshoe and sent it whirling into the fireplace. With a shriek the animal jumped from the mantel and landed upon Carter's back. The astonished man knew in an instant that he had a wild cat at his feet, and he made a mighty effort to free himself.

Out through the open doorway went the fighting pair. Tom trying to throttle the cat, and the beast tearing and lacerating Tom's clothing and flesh. While thus struggling Carter stepped upon some rotten boards covering a dry well and in a twinkling he was hurled to the bottom, twenty feet below, the cat being pinned beneath him. Carter was unconscious for a time, but upon regaining consciousness, he changed his position, when the cat arose and at once renewed the attack.

Realizing that it was a case of kill or get killed, Carter, after a hard struggle, succeeded in pulling a stone from the wall, and, raising it high above his head, he brought it down with terrific force upon the cat, killing it almost instantly. With a savage scream it gave up the ghost.

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In SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY. Hallstead, struck hard by the Lackawanna people, when it was recently rubbed off the board as a division terminal, is about to organize a board of trade, with the hope of securing manufacturing industries.

Rev. Mr. Potter has been installed pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Brandt. Fred Van Loan, formerly of Hallstead, was killed at Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, while attending to his duties as railroad brakeman. He was buried at Hallstead.

The next meeting of the Susquehanna County Medical society will be held at Susquehanna.

MATTERS AND THINGS.

The Republican senatorial conference will resume business in Susquehanna on Tuesday next. Wayne county is putting up a stubborn fight to capture the senatorship for the third time, but she will hardly secure it. It is not so written in the books. Wayne continually harps upon the fact that Susquehanna county has had the congressman for a long time. Granted, but that has nothing to do with the senatorship. Four counties have a hand in nominating and electing the congressman. It is quite probable that after Wayne has indulged in her traditional kicks, she will eventually have to walk up and take her medicine. It may not taste good, but she needs it.

The adjourned meeting of the Republican conference from this (fourteenth) district will be held at Wilkes-Barre, May 27. It is quite probable that Hon. C. Fred Wright, congressman, will be re-nominated. He has made a splendid record in congress, and the rank and file of his constituents desire his return.

MERELY SAID ASIDE.

The trout that escapes is always the big one. A Great Bend man went into a trance, the other day, and did not come out of it until the tax collector went away.

Winter, winter, go away, and come back some other day! Many a woman dusts billiard chalk off her husband's coat with great tears in her beautiful eyes, as she reflects how hard and how late he has to work at his desk close to that nasty whitewashed wall.

When look upon the trees appear, And winter days are past, There's one command we seldom hear, The hush one—"Shut the door!"

For when the spring comes in her pride, And chilly days are past, The folks who let it wide open Are sure to close it fast.

NEWS PARAPHRASES.

About 8,000 men were laid off by the Erie railroad company on Tuesday, on account of the miners' strike. The appropriation for the Susquehanna shops was cut in two, and about 300 men were affected.

The Rounds family reunion will be held at Uniondale June 4.

Are we to have a meatless full dinner?

As a result of the coal miners' strike, many of the Erie's workmen are working on three-quarter time.

Rev. W. Hollinshead, of Forest City, has been appointed president of the Susquehanna county Bible society, and a depository will be located at Forest City.

IT WOULD BE FUNNY.

"Say," said a Clinton township Republican to a "me" today, "wouldn't it be funny to see the sena-

torial and congressional candidates playing the Gaston-Alphonse role?"

"You first, my dear Gaston." "After you, my dear Alphonse."

"No you first I implore you, dear Gaston."

"You precede me I beg of you, dear Alphonse."

The thoughts of it, even, makes me smile.—Forest City News.

WHOLLY UNPREMEDITATED. Sunday, May 18, and we're wearing overcoats.

Humor-tism makes many people limp.

"Whiskey is good in its place. That place is—where they can't water it. A shrewd man can work up a vast amount of liabilities on a very small capital."

Don't cry over spilled milk. It may be three parts water.

A Susquehanna merchant who never advertises, was found asleep on his counter yesterday, with the following chalked on the sole of one boot:

How sweet is solitude! But grant me some friend in my retreat Whom I may whisper—"Solitude is sweet!"

A man in Great Bend told his wife he "loved her better than his own life."

Picture PUZZLE.



Find Rogers and Molang, who rescued Putnam as he was about to be slain.

Solutions for Last Week's Puzzles:

Monday, May 12.—The girl is back of the shadow, the rabbit above the back shoulder and the goat at the extreme right of picture.

Tuesday, May 13.—One is above, the other beneath the stem of pipe.

Wednesday, May 14.—One is in each corner above wall, the other under Humphy-Humphy's right hand.

Thursday, May 15.—The master is above the dog's head, the boy in the foliage between two left has inverted.

Friday, May 16.—Crogon is back of Gist, the other above horse's neck.

Saturday, May 17.—One in the foliage back of hunter, the other over the shoulder of man on left.

Josephs, the past week. Mrs. Josephs Sunday with her parents in Scranton.

Rev. C. A. Spaulding, of the Baptist church, preached on the labor question this evening. Mr. Spaulding was stationed near Hazleton at the time of the last strike, and was very influential in labor circles.

Misses Peggie and Sarah Freedman are spending a month at Atlantic City. The Hillside company yesterday removed its mules from the mines and sent them to pasture on the Tinker farm, north of town.

Hundreds of Forest City men were fishing the past week. The catches were not large.

Mrs. W. B. Styles will leave the early part of the week for Michigan, where her husband has secured employment. She was given a farewell reception at the last meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance union at the home of Rev. C. A. Spaulding.

On Tuesday evening, in the Dundaff Methodist Episcopal church, the Choral society of that place will give a concert, under the direction of Prof. A. P. Thomas. They will be assisted by the Orpheus male quartette, Prof. Ackerman, cornetist, of Carbondale, and Prof. Thiele, violinist, of Scranton.

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Laffy, 3b.	0	1	0	1	0
Williams, 1b.	0	2	1	0	0
Kline, 1b.	0	2	3	1	0
Hepburn, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Donnelly, 1b.	0	0	1	0	0
Phillips and Donnelly.	0	1	0	0	0
Fitterer, 2b.	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	0	7	12	15	4

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Templin, 1b.	0	2	1	2	1
Rauch, 1b.	0	1	2	0	0
Beard, 2b.	0	2	2	2	0
Wright, cf.	0	2	4	0	0
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